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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby brings the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application, which includes information cited and discussed in the specification, the International Search Report, the Written Opinion and the International Preliminary Examination Report issued in connection with counterpart International Application No. PCT/JP00/006400. Copies of the International Search Report (in English and Japanese), the Written Opinion (in Japanese) and the International Preliminary Examination Report (in English) were enclosed with the papers when entering the National Stage on March 19, 2002. The Examiner is invited to review these materials to inspect the

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relevance indicated during international examination with respect to the documents cited therein.

- (1) JP-6-336427, Accompanied by an English language abstract
- (2) JP-5-310581, Accompanied by an English language abstract
- (3) WO 98/39977
- (4) JP 2000-72680, Accompanied by an English language abstract
- (5) JP 2000-239171, Accompanied by an English language abstract, which is the publication of JP 11-39894 which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 3 last paragraph
- (6) JP-10-130153, Accompanied by an English language abstract, which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 3 last paragraph
- (7) JP-9-227388, Accompanied by an English language abstract, which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 3 last paragraph
- (8) JP-7-233061, Accompanied by an English language abstract
- (9) WO 01/21612 A1, which is a family member of JP 11-265715 which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 13, 3rd paragraph
- (10) WO 01/21613 A1, which is a family member of JP 11-265732 which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 13, 3rd paragraph

- (11) JP-2-119762 A, Accompanied by an English language abstract which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 2, 1st full paragraph
- (12) JP 3-264525 A, Accompanied by an English language abstract which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 2, 1st full paragraph
- (13) JP 5-236909 A, Accompanied by an English language abstract which is cited and discussed in the specification beginning on page 2, 1st full paragraph

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicant notes that while this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months from the filing date, Applicant has not received an action on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3).

However, if an action on the merits has been mailed prior to the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge

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any fees necessary to ensure consideration of the documents cited herein to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

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